

# **MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING NOTES**

Tuesday, February 8, 2005, 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Pledge

Roll Call–Smith, Greenfield, Stull, Castle–all present, Bell–absent

Mayor's Remarks

Meetings being taped and televised

On Feb. 1, 2005, Dr. Linda Burgee and Ray Barnes of Frederick County Public Schools attended Board of County Commissioners Workshop regarding funding for Brunswick Middle School addition. Alternate bid for some improvement items cost \$468,192–BCC passed a motion of their intent to approve such a budget transfer from money slated for Tuscarora High to cover this amount.

Feb. 1, 2005, BCC approved request to reclassify 500+acres from W-4/S-4 to W-3/S-3 at Brunswick Crossing.

Governor Ehrlich's FY06 Budget was topic at recent Mayor's Conference. Mike Miller, President of Senate; Mike Busett, Speaker of the House; Senator Curry, Chair of Senate and Taxation Committee; Norm Conway, House Appropriations Comm. Chair attended as well. Budget is over affordability limit...adjustments will need to be made.

Controversy, notwithstanding, the proposed budget exceeds the affordability limit by some \$150 million and therefore must be reduced. The fear of local government is that the \$150 million will be "recovered" by reducing highway user funds, Program Open Space, Community Legacy, Community Parks and Playgrounds etc. which have suffered reductions over the last two years.

Governor Ehrlich's FY 2006 Capital Budget has \$36 million to upgrade wastewater treatment and sewer plants. \$1.92 million is budgeted for Brunswick's wastewater plant.

City budget meetings will begin the end of this month.

Special Election held Feb. 1, 2005–522 residents voted...this is 17% of registered voters.

Spoke with Jean Casey of Gazette regarding unwanted copies being distributed on resident's property. They are willing to work with us in reducing unwanted newspapers.

Approval of Minutes–January 11, 2005, January 25, 2005

Greenfield–vote to approve minutes

Castle–2nd

Vote 4-0

Council Member Swearing In–Beth Johnson

Mayor and Ms. Johnson read oath

Mayor–To the best of my knowledge, Beth is only 6<sup>th</sup> female Council member in Brunswick history. First time in Brunswick history two females sat on Council at same time.

Police Officer Swearing In–Jeff Gerring  
Mayor and Jeff read oath

Chief Rough–gives Gerring’s work history and explains his duties in Brunswick.

Staff Reports/Committee Reports

Chief Rough–Police report attached  
Highlights from January report–on-board computers installed in all police cruisers, neighborhood watch program up and running in some neighborhoods with Corporal Kessler acting as contact person, after-hour calls to BPD are now automatically forwarded to Emergency Operation dispatch

Mayor presents Chief with Certificate of Appreciation from Ambulance Co.

Mike Campbell–Water & Waste Water report attached  
Highlights from January report–new flow meter and lighting installed at Waste Water Plant, new polymer feeder installed at Water Plant, intake cleaning completed in January

Mayor presents Mike with Certificate of Appreciation from Ambulance Co.

Geri Reynolds–Events report attached

Rick Stup–Planning and Zoning report attached

Smith–What was resolution to meeting with View about generator?

Stup–Trying to get one generator on MDE reimbursement list.

Dave Dunn–View Engineering analysis shows that cost for one 900 KW generator would be \$200,000 more than two generators.

Mayor–Inquires about enough space for new generator?

Mike Campbell–New unit may be smaller and more efficient than older units.

Dick Hauer–Public Works report attached

Stull–Inquires about amount of snow removal material left.

Smith–States that snow removal priority list should be reviewed.

Mayor presents Dick with Certificate of Appreciation from Ambulance Co.

Dave—Entering 90% design phase of Waste Water Treatment Plant. Attended meeting with MDE & Dr. Yu regarding generator. View is revising generator design.

View—John Strom—Engineering report attached

Dave—Code Enforcement report attached

Mayor—states that Bay Restoration fee is in effect and will be billed on next water bill. Fee is \$7.50 per quarter for all residents.

Citizens' Forum

Ellis Burriss—Souder Road—Thanks Mayor and Council for taking action with Gazette about leaving unwanted newspapers in resident's yard. Speaks about Friends of the Library Open House on March 5, 2005.

Al Koenig—6th Ave. & H Street—Reported water leak about a year ago and chlorinated water was found. Reminding Public Works to look into H Street water line.

Old Business

None

New Business

Community Legacy Presentation

Mayor gives brief history of Community Legacy program

Presentation from Craig Watson of HNTB Company

Campground Bike Rental Proposal—Mike Dudash, River and Trail Outfitters

Gives proposal to partner with City by providing satellite location for renting bike riding equipment and tours at Brunswick Campground.

Smith—Questions liability to City and, will Campground Manager act as River and Trail employee?

Dave—Many questions to work out in coming weeks. Will speak with City attorney regarding liability concerns.

Conditional Acceptance of City Public Improvements, Public Improvements for Lots 1-5, Block 6, Mutual Land & Development Co. of Baltimore City (Dean Moore East D Street Project)

Rick—See attached report and recommendations

Smith—Motion to accept staff's recommendation

Stull—2nd

Vote 5-0

Entrance Signs–Jim Castle–Main Street Committee wants to explore placing “Welcome to Brunswick” signs at entrances to City...on Rt. 17 bridge, on 464 by Galyn Manor, and Rt. 17 by the future Brunswick Crossing. Will have to go thru SHA and Planning & Zoning procedures.

Smith–Motion to accept recommendations

Castle–2nd

Vote 5-0

Resolution 05-01 Initiation Amendments to Zoning & Subdivision Regulations–Rick Stup

-Staff Draft–Zoning Ordinance Amendments

-Staff Draft–Subdivision Regulation Amendments

See attached report

Stull–Motion to approve Resolution 05-01

Greenfield–2nd

Vote 5-0

Adjournment

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Date

Witnessed By: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Administrator Date